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Sea turtles are endangered. People and animals have been destroying their homes. They have been over hunted for their flesh and shells. Some sea turtles weigh up to 80 to 100 pounds. They mature at age 30, if they are not hunted.



# Sea Turtles

By Hailey

Yes, we have the right to capture sea turtles if we are helping them. Sea turtles are hunted by humans. Their eggs are prey for foxes, dogs, birds, raccoons, crabs, lizards and dingos. Noise pollution can also be a factor for female turtles. They stay in the water and don't deposit their eggs, giving them no chance to hatch. We need to capture sea turtles to give them a safe quiet environment to continue the life cycle. We do not have the right to capture them if we are going to harm them.



Giant Panda by Natalie

A giant panda's mother is 900 times larger than there new born baby. Thick, waterproof fur allows giant pandas to sleep comfortably, even in damp forests. Giant pandas live as long as 22 to 35 years. Giant pandas are endangered because habitat loss and hunting for fur, causing low birth rate.

I think it is not ok to capture and cage giant pandas because they are endangered and need other pandas to mate. Also it is not ok because they are losing their habitat and are being killed for fur.







Pandas life span is 20 to 35 years. Giant pandas use their tails as kind of a paintbrush to leave a scent mark on trees or stumps. A giant panda is 900 times bigger than its baby. Thick waterproof skin helps them sleep in the damp forest.

## **Giant Pandas by Joshua**



No we don't have the right to cage pandas. Pandas need to be in their natural habitat, so they don't become extinct and we won't lose an awesome animal. We don't want them to spend their lives behind bars and we wouldn't like that if they did that to us. I think it's no fair and they should not be hunted and caged. They should not be touched, hurt or even kept as pets. They should be left in their natural habitat and I hope caging and hurting pandas will stop. I hope people think about pandas.



# Giraffes by Avary

*Did you know that there are at least nine different species of giraffes and 6 species are endangered? Well, if you didn't know, there is a lot more where that came from! Like...the giraffe eats 75 pounds a day in 12 hours. Giraffes hearts are 22 pounds and 2 feet long. The most surprising part of all giraffes is their mighty legs, which can crush a lion skull.*



*I don't think we have the right to capture and cage giraffes. There are not many giraffes left because of man already. One other reason why we shouldn't capture and cage giraffes is because they don't deserve to be locked up and miserable.*



## Bengal Tigers by Moneel



The Bengal tiger is highly endangered, less than 2,000 alive, because of habitat loss and humans killing their prey. The tigers hunt and eat would pigs and deer.

I think we don't have the right to capture the Bengal tiger because if people capture them there is a chance that they will kill them for their pelts. Also, if humans kill Bengal tigers then India won't have a symbol of royalty, power, and fearlessness. If you know someone trying to kill or capture a Bengal tiger, please try to stop them.





The giant panda is endangered, there are about 1,600 pandas in China. They live in parts of China like Chengdu, Xian and Zenghou. China is trying to help giant pandas. The giant panda is known to be the great panda.



Giant Pandas by Brayton



No we don't have the right to capture and cage pandas. They are like people. Pandas are endangered. China is trying to help pandas to make them more of a population.



## Pandas by Lauren

Pandas are one of the most endangered species, but China is trying to protect the pandas. There are about 1,600 pandas left in the world. The pandas are sometime known as the great pandas. Most giant pandas are found in certain regions of China.



"No!" I don't think that capturing animals or caging animals is okay. If you were an animal would you want to be captured or caged? I know that I wouldn't. Animals should be left alone and should be in the wild. No animal should be captured or caged. Most animals are in nature and they should be kept there were they are happy, not captured or caged.

They are critically endangered and almost certain to become extinct within 10 years. The reason the Bengal tiger is becoming extinct is that people are killing their prey. Also people are destroying their habitat.



## Bengal Tigers by Cade



I don't think we should be able to cage Bengal tigers because they are endangered. I think they should be able to live the life they have.





## Siberian Tiger by Claire



No we don't have the right to capture and cage animals because tigers are endangered. Poaching and habitat loss is killing them and capturing them will only make it worse. They are also endangered because of loss of prey due to humans over hunting.

Tigers are endangered because of habitat loss, poaching, and humans over hunting. Tigers are the largest member of the cat family. The Sumatran tiger is the smallest tiger and the Siberian tiger is the largest tiger. Even if you were to shave all the tigers fur off you would still be able to see its stripes.



# *White Tiger by Tanav*

*Tigers come in many species. Tigers are the largest members of the cat family. Sumatran Tigers are the smallest members of the Tiger family and are the darkest in color but the Siberian Tigers are the largest and the lightest in color. Even if you shave off a White Tiger's fur, you would still see it's stripes. The White Tiger's stripes are actually white and it's body is black. Regardless of it's surroundings, they use their stripes as the ultimate camouflage. Normally dark brown or black, these markings cover the Tiger from head to toe and allow them to become nearly invisible when hunting or stalking their prey.*

*We do not have the right to capture and cage White Tigers because reason one, it would ultimately destroy the food chain. Two, because White Tigers are endangered and they will become extinct in a little amount of time and three, because White Tigers are a type of Siberian Tiger and we are trying to stop Siberian Tigers from becoming extinct.*



## **Polar Bears by Jackson**



**Polar bears are endangered. No, we can't capture and cage polar bears because most polar bears are dying of global warming. If we leave them alone, they can live up to 30 years and have three cubs, increasing the polar bear population.**

**Polar bear cubs learn how to freeze and remain still while their mother hunts. A polar bear's fur is not white; it is clear. The fur reflects light to make it appear white. The scientific name for polar bear is *Ursus maritimus*.**





Sloths are the worlds slowest mammals. On the ground they are very weak and have to drag themselves. Sloths can sleep 14-20 hours a day, and when they are awake they eat leaves. Them and their habitat are being endangered, by animals and humans. Sloths can socialize with humans and other animals if they aren't threatened. They come down the tree once a day to use the bathroom. Sometimes they fall out of trees into the water, but luckily they are good swimmers.



SLOTHS



By: Piper

Yes we have the right to capture and cage animals, but only if we are helping them. We only do it when they are injured, endangered or to protect it from others animals. Capturing and caging animals, sounds like a bad idea but sometimes we do it to protect others. We do not have the right to capture and cage animals if we are hurting them. Since they are endangered it's totally fine if we take them and help them. But if we aren't it's not fine! Animals don't like it when they are threatened or hurt, so it's ok if your capturing and caging animals, but only for a good reason!



African elephants are endangered because of people killing for tusks, to sell for jewelry. African elephants live in the African savannah and live in 37 countries in the world. Their weight is up to 4 to 6 tons, and length is up to 18-24 feet.

## **Elephants by Amber**



No, we should not cage and capture elephants because half of its population has been gone in one generation and people are killing elephants for tusks. Elephants are powerful animals they need to be free. Let the population of elephant grow more and more. So don't capture elephants and cage them, let them run free.

# Giant Panda Facts:

.kingdom animalia

.phylum Chordata

.class mammalia

.order Carnivora

.family ursidae

.genus ailurpoda

.species ailurpoda melanoleuca

.reaches 59 inches or 150 centimeters in length

.giant pandas are endangered mostly due to habitat loss

.eats bamboo, leaves, honey, fruit, root, small mammals, and birds if they can

Yes I think we should be able to capture pandas, not to harm them, but to keep them safe. For example if we had a drug to cure a fatal disease pandas and humans carry and wanted to test it, it could kill the animal, but then again it could save one. All in all, I think we can capture a panda for a good cause.



Giant Panda  
By Zach





## Bengal Tigers by Cole

Did you know the Bengal tiger is endangered? They are because their prey is being hunted and their habitats are burning down. The Bengal Tiger has average 100 stripes to camouflage themselves. The Bengal tiger is the second largest tiger in the world. There is about 2500 Bengal tigers in the world.

I don't think we have the right to capture and cage the Bengal tiger. The reason why is because the Bengal tiger is endangered. They are endangered because people hunt their prey and their habitats are burning down. That is why I don't think we should capture and cage Bengal tigers.





We do have the right to capture and cage animals, if we are not hurting the creatures. People have been catching the river dolphins with nets and then killing them for years. That's why you have the right to help them.

## *River Dolphins By: Tierney*

Overall the river dolphin only has 4 species left in the whole world. One type of the river dolphin is the color pink. The river dolphin has a long beak that thickens. Dolphins eat all kinds of fish that are in rivers. River dolphins are sometimes found in oceans, streams, or the rivers.





## Sea Turtles by Joshua



Sea turtles are endangered because they are getting caught in fishing nets. They sleep on coral and live rock. Sea turtles are found in all oceans except for the Antarctic ocean. Their homes are being destroyed by people building places. They are being hunted for their shells. Sea turtles scientific name is cheloniodia.

Yes we have the right to capture and cage sea turtles. But only if we are rescuing them. Because almost all species of sea turtles are endangered because people are destroying their homes. Sea turtles are really endangered and almost extinct.





# Bottlenose Dolphins

by: Marisa

Have you ever seen a dolphin when you were riding a ferry or cruise near shore? If you have, you must've seen a bottlenose dolphin. Bottlenoses are a common sight, lucky sailors could see a bottlenose, because the dolphin is not endangered. The bottlenose dolphin or the *Tursiops Truncatus* is active to some degree both day and night. Bottlenoses talk to each other by clicking. They're smart and intelligent, in fact, the bottlenose has the biggest brain of all mammals (not including humans), but the *Tursiops Truncatus* is sensitive to touch, so be gentle with it.



We do not have the right to capture and cage Bottlenose dolphins. Though, they are not endangered, they will become if people keep catching them. Some may die by being caught in fishing nets, or stranded on shore. The beautiful Bottlenose is an extraordinary sight, so we don't want them to be endangered, or worse, extinct. The *Tursiops Truncatus* loves to stay near shore or ride waves, so they can easily get carried on shore. We hope that people will stop capturing and caging these beloved creatures.

Lions are magnificent creatures that got more and more and more interesting throughout this project. Lions are incredible creatures and should be cared for more. And throughout researching lions, I learned that having the right to capture and cage lions doesn't have a wrong or right answer. But yet I personally I say STOP capturing and caging lions. Wouldn't they be happier in their natural habitat with their cubs? Wouldn't they be more joyful where they're free to roam than being in a cage? So will YOU support the lions?



*When lions hunt they hide in their habitat.*



## **Lions By: Marcelo Ramirez**

Save the lions! For hundreds of years lions have been prized by hunters. Now lions are disappearing and becoming endangered. Take action and help us save the lions. Think about it, we wouldn't want the largest cat in the world to disappear. Would we?





TIGERS ARE ENDANGERED BECAUSE OF POACHING, RETALIATORY KILLING, AND HABITAT LOSS. THESE TIGER SPECIES ARE THE LARGEST MEMBERS OF THE CAT FAMILY. NORMAL TIGERS LIVE IN WETLANDS, FORESTS, AND GRASSLANDS. EVEN IF YOU WERE TO SHAVE A TIGER'S FUR OFF, IT WILL STILL HAVE ITS STRIPES! TIGERS EAT BUFFALO, DEER, WILD PIGS OR SMALLER SNACKS LIKE RABBIT OR SMALLER FISH.

## TIGERS BY: TESS

YES, I THINK WE SHOULD CAPTURE AND CAGE THESE ANIMALS IF WE CAN SAVE THEM FROM DYING AND HEAL THEIR SICKNESS THEY CAN HAVE. IT IS VERY IMPORTANT THAT WE SHOULD SAVE THESE CUTE TIGERS BECAUSE YOU DON'T WANT THEM TO GET HARMED EVEN WORSE, DIE ALONE, OR LET THESE TIGERS GET EXTINCT. YOU WANT TIGERS TO BE HELPED AND CARED. SAVING TIGERS IS THE RIGHT THING TO DO.





*Turtles are very endangered. They are hunted for their beautiful shells. Turtles live near south Florida. These remarkable animals can't breathe underwater, but can hold their breath for long periods of time. They can weigh 150-1,050 pounds. Some turtles can live up to a year without food. They eat sponges, seaweed, and jellyfish.*



*Hawksbill Sea Turtles by Alandrea*



*We do not have the right to capture this rare animal. Turtles barely have any food. Turtles are so close to extinction, it wouldn't be right.*





We don't want them to be captured and caged because they are at the top of the food chain. We would have an over abundance of other animals. It would wreak havoc on the system that already works.


## Cheetahs by Suraj



Cheetah are the fastest land animals. Cheetahs eat every type of meat, like antelopes and impalas. They mostly live in Africa and Asia. It runs as fast as 70 miles per hour. They are getting killed by people because they want it's skin, and for its pelts.







Polar bears are endangered and dying out . Their only predators are humans. Their fur is clear and reflective, not white. When polar bears are cubs, they learn to freeze, or remain still. If they move, their mother smacks them in the head.

POLAR BEARS  
BY:Tanner Scott

If you are trying to save polar bears, then yes, you have the right to capture them. If it has any cubs, release them. If their population is going to grow, it should grow in their on habitat. If you aren't going to help the polar bears, then you do not have the right to capture them.

Bottlenose dolphins are not endangered because there is a large amount of them. Something cool about them is that they are active to some degree both day and night. Bottlenose dolphins are also called tursiops truncatus, and they click to talk to each other. Bottlenose dolphins are sensitive to touch, and have larger brains than other mammals!



## Bottlenose Dolphins by Diya



I think that we should not capture and cage Bottlenose dolphins. Yes they are not endangered, but we do not want them to be endangered! I think it is better off not to capture and change them.





## **African Elephants by Junaid**

*African elephants are endangered because of people killing them for their tusks to sell for jewelry.*

*African elephants are located in Congo basin, coastal east Africa. Their life span is 60-70 years.*



*We don't have the right to cage animals because it's not providing their needs that are important for their survival. Some people beat and kill African elephants for tusks and jewelry. You can capture but you should release the animal when you are done with what you needed the animal for, but if you capture and or keep the animal it is wrong. I don't think African elephants should be caged.*



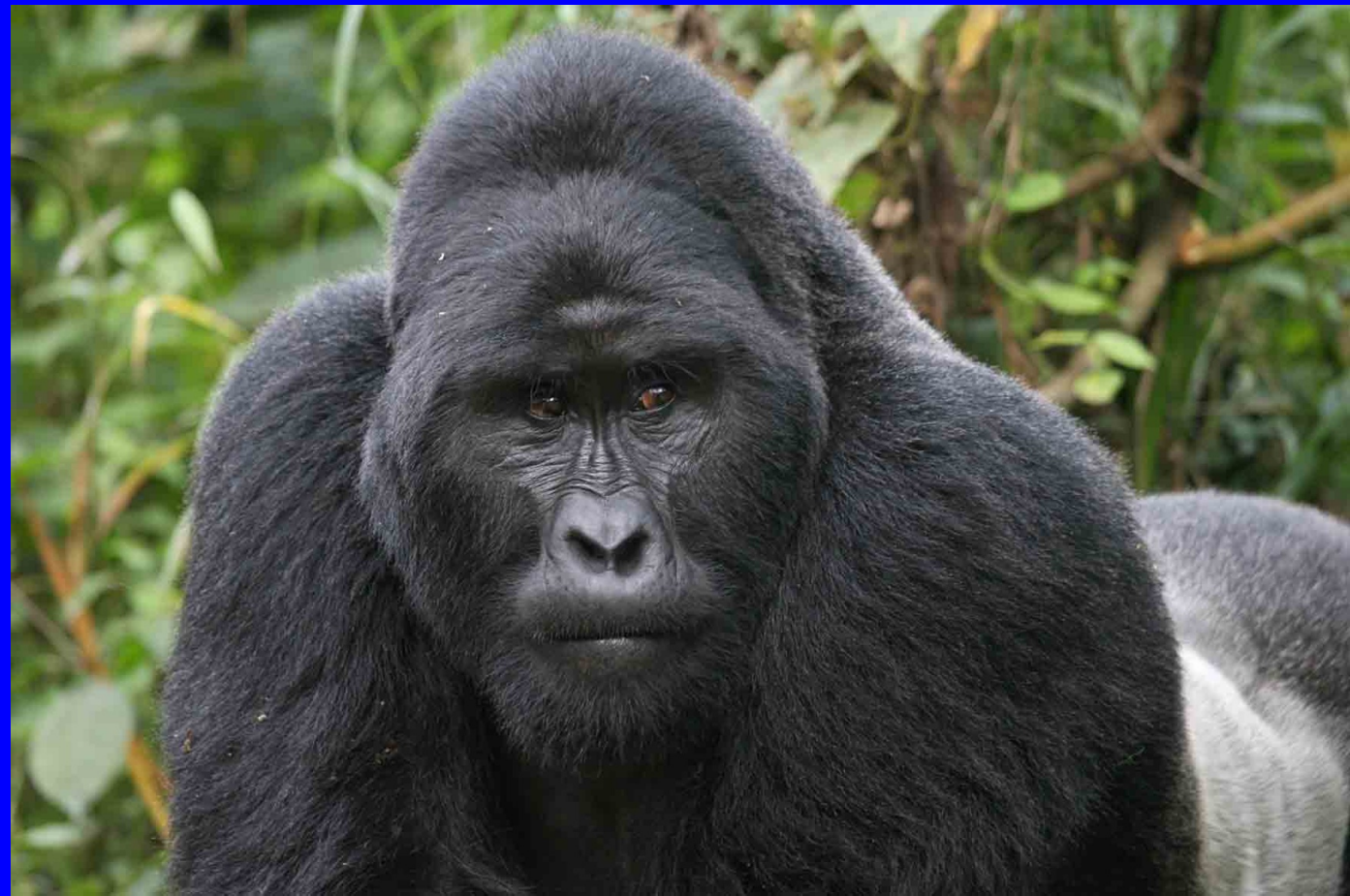
# Gorillas by Alex and Kenneth



They are endangered because people are destroying their habitat. Gorillas eat bamboo, fruit, and small insects. Some gorillas rest to about 13 to 14 hours a day. Some gorillas live in the eastern lowlands and others in Central East Africa.

We do and don't have the right to capture the gorillas. The reason we do have the right is because we can give them a safe and peaceful place where they can live. -Alex

No we don't have the right to cage animals because they have families and if you cage them their life will be boring. Plus they would feel better if they would live in the forest. -Kenneth





A new born koala is only the size of a jellybean. Koala babies are born blind, naked, and earless. These koala babies are named Joey. They munch on eucalyptus leaves, and drink from the leaves. Koalas are endangered because people hunt them.



Yes, we should be able to capture and cage koalas to protect them from hunters. We want to help the koala population grow.



Jaguars can climb trees. Jaguars are really good swimmers. Jaguars are the 3rd largest cat. Jaguars eat the the largest rodent called capybara. Jaguars are endangered because humans hunt for their hide. Also humans burn down their homeland.

No, we don't have the right to capture jaguars because if there were no jaguars then there would be to many herbivores. Never because we shouldn't cage jaguars just for their hide (since we shave their hide).

# Black Jaguars by Justin





## *Leatherback Turtles By:Kelvin*



*Leather backs are not endangered, but had dropped rapidly in the past 1,000 years. They are the largest species of sea turtles and can grow up to be 4 to 6 feet! They can also weigh as much as 1,300 pounds! They live in the Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian Ocean.*



*Even though leatherbacks aren't endangered we still don't have the right to capture them because people might not know their needs. If this happens, the leatherback will die.*

# Leatherback Turtle By: Luke

Leatherback turtles can live up to 45 years old, and it can grow up to 7 feet! The leather turtle lives in the Atlantic, and the Pacific Ocean. They have been living on this earth for many years. I think that is cool.



No! We do not have the right to capture and cage leatherback turtles. Because if we do that, then there will be no leatherback turtles left. We will not have as many things as we use because all the leatherback turtle will be captured and caged.



## Giant Pandas by Jayden



Pandas are endangered because there is only about 2,000 left in the wild and the rapid loss of habitat. The giant panda cub is only about 1/900th of the size of its mother! Another interesting fact is its oldest ancestor is the Kretzoiarctos Beatrix. They are the rarest member of the bear family. They eat about 26-84 lbs. of bamboo a day! Even though they are bears they don't hibernate. They can only have 5-8 cubs in a normal lifetime.

I would say we can capture pandas if they have a disease that could wipe them out, or if they are being overwhelmed by predators. We can also capture them because their reproduction rate is so low. However I don't think we should capture them if they are perfectly fine. If we do capture them I don't think we should separate the children from the parents.



## Asian Elephants by Kyle

Their population is about 20,000 - 25,000. They grow to be 21 feet long, 8.5-11.5 feet tall from the neck and around 11,000 pounds. They eat grasses, leaves, herbs and fruit. They communicate in rumbles, growls, bellows and moans. Male elephants can weigh up to 5 tons and female elephants can weigh up to 3 tons. Asian elephants can also live up to 80 years in captivity .



No we don't have the right to capture and cage elephants, if we are using it for entertainment, transport people and personal purposes. Yes we do, as long as you take care of it and give them shade.





Each panda eats 28 pounds of bamboo a day. About 300 giant pandas live in captivity. No more than 3,000 exist in the wild. The giant pandas live almost entirely on bamboo stems and leaves. A panda spends half a day eating.



## *Giant Pandas by Austin*



We do not have the right to capture pandas because they are endangered and we don't want the numbers to decrease.



## *Jaguars by Joshua*

*No, we don't have the right to cage jaguars because there are apart of a life cycle. Also if they don't eat the herbivores there will to many of one certain animal in the wild so that's why you can't cage jaguars or take their hides.*

*Jaguars are almost the largest cat in the world. Jaguars live in Arizona. They also eat the largest rodent called the capybara and they have very powerful jaws.*

*They also can climb trees and are very good swimmers and there are also 15,000 jaguars left in the world*







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## *Gorillas*

*By: Daniela*

*Gorillas are endangered because it is sold for many foods and there are only about 100, 000 gorillas left in the world. Some facts about gorillas are the silver backs tend to be the most aggressive, and baby gorillas are very shy... Also gorillas are threatened by habitat loss... And they weigh 270 kilograms.*

*Yes, you can capture gorillas only if you take them to a good place. They are already losing their habitat... But if you are not going to take them to a safe habitat, then you don't have the right to capture them.*





The lion male is 9-10 ft. They live in South Africa, some parts of Asia and India. They live to about 20-25. The lion is in fact endangered because people are killing their food and taking over their land.



Loins By Connor

No because the lion only has 20,000 in the world and people are taking away their family's and putting them in a zoo. There are lions in the world that need help.







## *Polar Bear*

*You know we do not have the right to capture polar bears because we don't need to kill them, we don't even have the right shoot polar bears. We should say or put signs up that say no killing polar bears.*

*Polar bears endangered because their ice is breaking apart and they are spreading apart every second. Do you know how long polar bears live?*

*Polar bears never live past 25 years. The longest living polar bear was known to be 32 years old, but died at that age too.*

*By: Jacy*





The giraffe is surprisingly endangered, they are being killed because of illegal hunting practices. Giraffes can eat up to 75 pounds a day and has to eat for 12 hours straight. The giraffes heart is about 22 pounds and 2 feet! A giraffes leg can crush a lions skull! A giraffes neck is long because it has to eat from really tall trees.



## GIRAFFES BY SIRI



We don't have the right to capture and cage giraffes unless we are protecting them. People are doing illegal hunting practices. Giraffes have been endangered ever since.





The Water buffalo is endangered because people would hunt them for their hides and other body parts. The buffaloes are herbivores and they will usually eat plants. Their average lifespan is 25 years in the wild and 30 years in captivity.

## **Water Buffalo by Anthony**

No, we do not have the right to cage animals because they need to learn to be with and play with other animals, so they will have fun and not have a negative feeling.







Do you know that gorillas are threatened by loss of habitat? Baby gorillas are very shy, whereas, adult gorillas are very aggressive. A gorilla's weight is 270 Kg. When a gorilla turns 12, it can produce a silverback. Gorillas eat nuts, fruits, and smaller monkeys.

## Gorillas by Pepijn

Yes we do have the right to capture and cage gorillas because it might be stuck in some vines or branches. My point is you can do it if it will die if you don't.





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I only think we have the right to capture and cage animals when they are not safe where they are, and if they will be treated with everything they need to survive. In this case the Hawksbill Sea Turtle does need some help to survive, so we can cage them if we treat them with respect. They are being killed for their shells and eaten when they hatch, so there is very few left. I think we could help them and cage them as well as treat them right.

## Hawksbill Sea Turtle by Sadie

The Hawksbill Sea Turtle's scientific name is *Eretmochelys Imbricata*. They are endangered because people hunt them for their shell, and because they are eaten when they are born. The Hawksbill Sea Turtle is the smallest sea turtle, and is the most tropical sea turtle.







*We have the right to capture and cage animals if we are helping them. If we are not helping them, then we shall not capture them. Just like how people have rights, so do animals of all kind. We cannot just take that right away. Lets just let them live free and in the wild, unless they are hurt. If we capture them then we might not know everything they need to survive.*

## *Bottlenose Dolphin by Michelle*

*Click, whistle, click goes the Bottlenose dolphin, also known as Tursiops Truncatus. Sadly, these dolphins are endangered because of humans hunting and killing them. Their prey is all different species of fish. They are found living in every ocean all over the world, except the Arctic Ocean.*



*A koala is an endangered animal because people cut down their habitat and people kill koalas. A baby koalas name is Joey. A Joey is blind when it is first born it is also the size of one jelly bean.*



*Yes, we have the right to capture and cage koalas because if we don't cage them they'll die from people cutting down their habitat. It's okay to capture them if they are in danger.*



*Koalas by Railey*



# Sloths

Sloths are the world's slowest mammals. Sloths sleep 15-20 hours a day, when they're not sleeping, they usually eat. They only eat plants and fruits because they're herbivores. Sloths live in the Tropical Rainforest of South and Central America. The water that drips from their fur cause green algae to form, helping them camouflage. Sloths are endangered because of deforestation, and the hunting for sloths from humans, jaguars, and other predators.



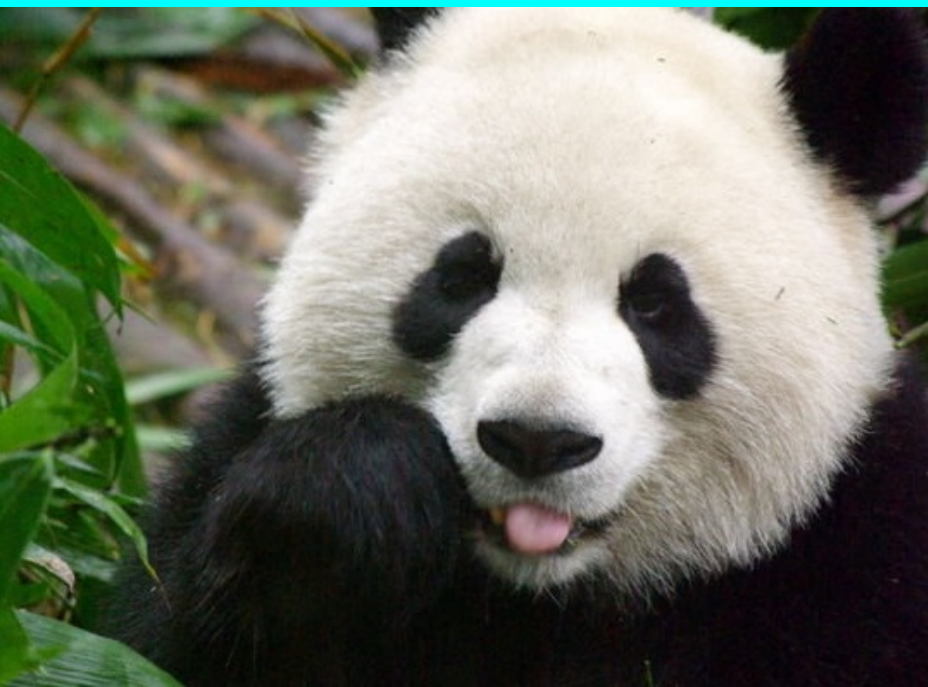
Yes! I think we do have the right to capture and cage animals. I would only agree if the animal is injured, sick, or endangered. If a sloth was injured, I would like medical attention to help the sloth, then release it back into the wild. Sloths are endangered, so it's okay to take a girl and a boy to breed them. If we're hurting or threatening it's unacceptable. It seems wrong to capture and cage animals but under the right circumstances, it's okay!



*By Camille*

# *Pandas by Bella*

*The female pandas give birth between 95 days and 160 days after mating. Yes they are endangered. But the China government is raising a save panda center to save the pandas.*



*No I do not believe that people have the right to capture animals! Because they have the same right as we do. Think of it this way what if we were the pandas and we got captured would you like it?*





## Leatherback Sea Turtles by Katie

Did you know that Leatherback Sea Turtles are very interesting? Well they are interesting if you didn't know. Leatherback sea turtles have been around for 100 million years now. Also leatherback sea turtle live Atlantic, Pacific, and Indian Ocean.

Leatherback sea turtles are not endangered. Even though they're not endangered, we should try to keep them on for as long as we can. All animals should not be captured and caged.





# WATER BUFFALO



DO WE HAVE THE RIGHT?

*By:*

*Daniel Creager*

THE WATER BUFFALOES HEAD AND BODY IS 8-9 FEET LONG, AND HIS TAIL IS 2-3.3 FEET LONG. IT WEIGHS 800-1200 KG, AND IT HAS CURVED HORNS. IT'S DIET CONSIST OF GRASSES, TENDER SHOOTS, AND OTHER LEAFY AQUATIC VEGETATION. THE AVERAGE LIFESPAN IS 25-30 YEARS, IF DEALT WITH RIGHT IN CAPTIVITY. THE WATER BUFFALO IS CURRENTLY ENDANGERED.

Yes, we do have the right to capture and cage water buffalo when they're given the right vegetation, a spacious area to browse, and are given the opposite gender to breed. Yes, we do, when they're being held to help cure some diseases, sicknesses, and injuries that they may be suffering from, but not if they're conducting experiments that could be hazardous. No, we may not, when they are being kept for commercialism, to gain money, or fame. Yes, we do have the right, when they are dealt with by professionals, and conservatories, and are being held to bring to bring up their population, and to give them safety from poachers, and hunters.





## *Polar Bear By: Alexandra*

*Yes we do have the right to capture polar bears because they are in danger and they need help to survive. If they stay in the wild there will be a smaller number of polar bears left in the wild.*

*Over 100 million people kill polar bears for their skin and meat. The male polar bear tries to eat the babies but the female polar bear protect the babies. A polar bear has long neck that is thicker than its head. Polar bears can live to 20-30 years but only the smallest amount of polar bears live past 15-18 years. The longest living polar bear died at the age of 32.*





# Cheetahs


By: Rori

**The cheetah is the fastest land animal on Earth, the cheetah usually lives to about 12 years. This animal is endangered because people keep killing them for their skin to use it for clothing and decorations. There are about 10,000 cheetahs living on Earth, most are In Africa.**



**We do not have the right to capture and cage cheetahs because they're on their way to extinction, and if we keep killing them, they will be extinct. Another reason why we can't capture or cage cheetahs is that they don't know how strong the cage is, so when they try to break free they can severely hurt themselves.**





No, we don't have the right to capture and cage jaguars because the jaguar is on the top of the food chain. If you cage them it would mess up the food chain. The food chain would mess up by the jaguars' prey will grow and eat a lot of grass and make other herbivores lose food and starve.

Jaguars by Khang

Jaguars are endangered because humans are burning down the forest. Jaguars are hunted for their hide, and they are threatened by humans because they eat and kill livestock. They also eat the largest rodent called the capybara. There are only 15,000 jaguars left and they are the third largest cat. They live in Arizona and the southern part of California. Jaguars have muscles on their shoulders and forearms, they have powerful jaws and sharp teeth, they are very good climbers and swimmers.



# Lions by Andrew

Did you know that lions approximately live from 20-25 human years and are the second largest animal in the cat family?! Did you also know that the male lion can be 9-10 feet long and weigh 400-500 pounds!?



No I don't think we should be allowed to capture lions because of their chances of extinction. Lions are endangered, we should help save the 20,000 on left on earth. Only 300 lions are in Asia and the rest are on South Africa and India (and our zoos). These lions are also endangered because we are not just killing them, but animals that they rely on. Please help keep these endangered animals safe!



# Asian Elephants By Jay

A lot of people kill Asian elephants for their ivory illegally to make jewelry and decorations. They are critically endangered with less than 15,000 in the wild. They eat grasses, leaves, herbs, fruit, bark, small stems and farm crops such as sugar cane or bamboo.



Yes and no we do it have the right to capture Asian elephants because they are seen as a sign of power to the Indians religiously. Also yes we should capture Asian elephants only if they are in danger of being killed for their ivory or if there is a high juvenile breeding mortality rate.



Here are some interesting facts about Bottlenose Dolphins. They are not endangered and they are active to some degree both day and night. Bottlenose Dolphins are also called Tursios Trunctus. They click and squeak to talk to each other.



## Bottlenose Dolphins by Aastha



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We do not have the right to cage and capture Bottlenose dolphins because they might become endangered. They are so fun and loving, we want their families to be together. If we cage them, they won't be with their family.



# Orcas by Rachel



Orcas aren't endangered. They can fling 600 pound objects. The bones in an orca's flipper are similar to the bones in a human hand. Orcas can eat almost anything they find. Orcas can be up to 80 years old. The splash of an orca breathing from their blowhole can be heard several miles away.

No, I don't think we can capture and cage orcas. They would be better off in the wild. In captivity orca mothers are separated from their young, also captivity causes health problems. Take Tilikum, an Orca in captivity, for example, it drove him crazy.





## **Water Buffalo by Jaycee**

**No we don't have the right to capture and cage the water buffalo.**

**The water buffalo can weigh can be 800-1000 kg.**

**The water buffalo body can be 8 to 9 feet long.**

**The water buffalo is a herbivore so it eats plants.**

**The water buffalo life span is 25 years.**

**The water buffalo is endangered because the people hunted the buffalo for their hides and tongue.**

**They would sell them in the east stores. Indians ate the buffalo meat.**







The female lion does most of the hunting in the pride (pack). The lion is the second largest cat in the world. Lions are carnivores. Lions can weigh 550 pounds (250 kilograms). The roar of a lion can be heard from five miles away. The lion can live for 10 to 15 years. In the wild lions rest up to 20 hours a day. Lions can reach a speed of 50 mph. The scientific name is panthera leo. The hair on a lions neck is called a main. The main is used to protect the lion when it is fighting. Lions usually hunt at at night. Their prey is buffalo, antelope, young elephants, wild hogs zebras, and more.

Lions by Nathaniel Lohse.

Is a lion endangered? Lions are officially endangered in west Africa but now they are trying to protect them. Why is the animal endangered? Because people killed them and animals killed them too, people also captured them. How long do lions live? Lions live 10 to15 years. Do we have the right to capture and cage animals? Yes we do have the right to capture and cage animals. But only when they are injured or endangered.





The female does most of the hunting because they are faster. Lions hunt in prides. Lions are carnivores. Lions are endangered in west Africa, but lions should not be listed as endangered. People are killing them, they are also capturing them. Lions can live 30 years.

## **Lions by Jonah**

We do not have the right to capture and cage animals because their freedom is taken away from them. Once animals are taken for the zoo, they never go back. They don't get to play with their family. They never get the company of their species.